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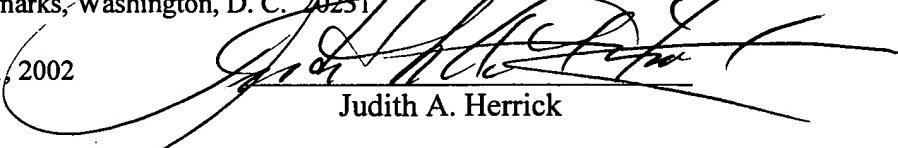
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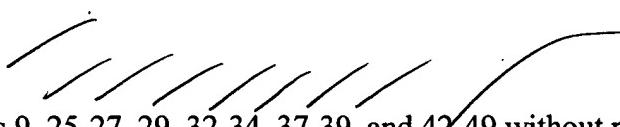

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER INTERFERENCE PROCEEDING

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:


Please cancel claims 9, 25-27, 29, 32-34, 37-39, and 42-49 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 31 as follows:


Claim 31 (AMENDED) A vaccine in a pharmaceutically accepted carrier comprising:
a mutated herpesvirus capable of infecting a mammalian cell and of eliciting a protective immune response in a mammal vaccinated with said herpesvirus; wherein,
said herpes virus being characterized by a mutation in at least one gene encoding a protein essential for viral genome replication of said herpesvirus; and,
rendering said virus replication defective; and,